Offshore Surface Oil Forecast Deepwater Horizon MC252

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Estimate for: 1200 CDT, Friday, 6/04/10 Date Prepared: 1900 CDT, Thursday, 6/03/10

Currents were obtained from four models: NOAA Gulf of Mexico, NavO/NCOM, NRL/IASNFS, and West Florida Shelf/USF. Each includes Loop Current dynamics. Gulf wide winds were obtained from the gridded NCEP product. The model was initialized from Thursday satellite imagery analysis (NOAA/NESDIS). The leading edge may contain tarballs that are not readily observable from the imagery (hence not included in the model initialization).

